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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Volker GERSTNER et al.

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For: METHOD FOR DETECTING
FLUORESCENCE PHENOMENA IN
MICROSCOPE

Atty Docket: P66886US0

RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
PO Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated June 5, 2003 (PTO Prosecution File Wrapper Paper No. 8), Applicant submits the following Amendment and Remarks.

It is not believed that extensions of time or fees for net addition of claims are required, beyond those that may otherwise be provided for in documents accompanying this paper. However, in the event that additional extensions of time are necessary, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned under 37 CFR § 1.136(a); and any fees required for consideration of this paper and any papers associated with it (including fees for net addition of claims) are hereby authorized to be charged to our Deposit Account No. 06-1358.

Kindly enter the following Amendment:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 3 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 4 of this paper.

Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 11 of this paper and include an attached replacement sheet.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 12 of this paper.